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## COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT OPERATION

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Wednesday, October 17, 2018, the Riverside Police Department's Traffic Bureau conducted a citywide commercial vehicle enforcement operation. The focus was to ensure the safe and efficient operation of commercial vehicles as they travel on city roadways. Officers not only enforced the state vehicle code, but also the local ordinance restricting vehicles exceeding three axles at any time upon specific streets in Riverside.

Eleven officers made 64 traffic stops, issued 56 Riverside Municipal Code citations, 8 vehicle code citations, and towed 1 semi-truck. Our two commercial enforcement officers conducted 2 level one inspections and 8 level two inspections. Those inspections resulted in two citations for mechanical violations and an expired motor carrier permit.



The goals of today's operation were:

1. The prevention of collisions and incidents attributed to mechanical defects or excessive driving hours involving vehicles and drivers subject to California Vehicle Code section 34500.



2. The prevention of incidents and catastrophes during, or as a result of, hazardous materials transportation.
3. Enforcement of the various commercial vehicle safety regulations in California and those nationally adopted laws and rules applicable to commercial vehicle operation.
4. Ensure the safety of the motoring public by enforcing the Riverside Municipal Code which is intended to keep large commercial vehicles off roadways where traffic is heavy.
5. Minimize damage to city roadways by operating mobile enforcement units which will enforce commercial vehicle weight regulations.
6. Educating commercial vehicle operators, the motor carrier industry, and the public so as to promote commercial vehicle safety.

Section 10.56.050 of the Riverside Municipal Code states "When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any commercial vehicle exceeding three (3) axles at any time upon the streets or parts of streets listed below, except that such vehicle may be operated thereon for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise or the performance of services in connections with and in aid of a property in the block, and then only by entering such street at the intersection nearest the destination of the vehicle and proceeding thereon no farther than the nearest intersection thereafter."

- Alessandro Boulevard between Central Avenue and Trautwein Road
- Arlington Avenue between Horace Street and Chicago Avenue
- Central Avenue between Fremont Street and Brockton Avenue
- Central Avenue between Alessandro Boulevard and State Route 91
- Chicago Avenue between Arlington Avenue and Central Avenue
- Iowa Avenue between Spruce Street and Blaine Street
- Jurupa Avenue between Fremont Street and Brockton Avenue
- Main Street between Columbia Avenue and the SR-60 Freeway

The Riverside Police Department's Traffic Bureau will continue similar enforcement programs to help maintain the safety of the motoring public within our community.